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Office Action Summary

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Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on ____.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-26 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) ____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-26 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) ____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on ____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date ____.
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: ____.

Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. 112

The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

Claims 1-26 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Regarding Claim 1, line 6, “the first database” lacks antecedent basis whether it refers to a database or the first database server.

Regarding Claim 9, “ODBC” is not defined in the claim. It is vague because it could mean anything.

Regarding Claim 14, line 5, “ the first” is vague because it does not define what “first”.

Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claims 1-26 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Feik (6,850,913).

Regarding Claim 1, Feik discloses a database architecture (See Figure 3) for information display system comprising:

- a data manager (64) including a first interface (62);

- a first database server (54) connected to the data manager via the first interface;
- a firewall (52) connected to the first database server (54); and
- a second database server (20) connected to the first database server (54) via the firewall (52) and including a stored procedure (web pages of certifying organizations) for copying (e.g. downloading) data (search requests, HTML, naming and directory) (See claim 31, Col. 2, lines 7-49, Col. 10, line 64 to Col. 13, line 30) from the first database server (54).

Feik also discloses that such database management system is well known being used in the area of air and space travel. Although Feik does not explicitly mention the air traffic but it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to utilize the system of Feik for display air traffic information such as an flight delay, flight arrival and departure, weather at the airports, etc.

Regarding Claim 2, Feik discloses that updating information (logging changes to current data) (See Col. 2, lines 7-49 and Figures 3 and 4). Although Feik does not explicitly disclose tables, however, table inherently exists in any database system including Feik in order to store the data in binary format.

Regarding Claim 14, Feik discloses a method of (see Figure 3) storing information comprising the steps of:

- receiving a data update request (from PC 20);
- changing the data (updating information) in accordance with the request (Col. 2, lines 7-49);

- storing the changed data (into web database) in a first database server(54)
(See Figures 3 and 4); and
- copying the changed data (copy and paste) to second database server (PC 20) separated from the first database server (54) by a firewall (52).

Feik also discloses that such database management system is well known being used in the area of air and space travel. Although Feik does not explicitly mention the air traffic but it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to utilize the system of Feik for display air traffic information such as an flight delay, flight arrival and departure, weather at the airports, etc.

Regarding Claims 3, 4, 6, 17, 18, 20, 21, as discussed above, although Feik does not explicitly mention the air traffic, flight data, or airport system but it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to utilize the system of Feik for display air traffic information such as an flight delay, flight arrival and departure, weather at the airports, etc.

Regarding Claims 5, 7-13, 15, 16, 19, 23-26, Feik does not explicitly disclose tables, however, table inherently exists in any database system including Feik in order to store the data in binary format.

Conclusion

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. Mohammadioun et al. (2004/0044674) discloses a system and method for parsing itinerary data. Mankoff (6,868,426) discloses a virtual document organizer system and method. Kurganov et al. (6,721,705) discloses a robust voice

browser system. Kay et al. (6,430,602) discloses a method and system for interactively responding to instant messaging requests.


Correspondence

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Examiner Wilson Lee whose telephone number is (571) 272-1824.

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